Mountain Weather Forecast

Mourne Mountains

Forecast valid from 06:00 on Friday 22 Dec 2023 until 23:59 on Saturday 23 Dec 2023

Forecast Issued on Friday 22 Dec 2023 at 03:30

Confidence: High confidence for windy conditions until Boxing Day with periods of gales for the first few days. Low for later Tuesday

Headline for Friday 22 Dec 2023: Showers at times, especially in the west, otherwise a few bright spells but mostly cloudy and remaining very windy.

Mountain weather hazards on Friday 22 Dec 2023

Blizzards No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent snow** No Likelihood	**Storm force winds** Low Likelihood
Gales High Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** Low Likelihood	**Poor visibility** Low Likelihood
Thunderstorms No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** No Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 700m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Drizzle	Cloudy	Cloudy	Cloudy	Cloudy	Drizzle
Precipitation probability					
40%	20%	20%	20%	20%	40%

Forecast for Friday 22 Dec 2023

Weather: Some patchy light rain in the morning then mostly cloudy and dry during the afternoon. A few brighter spells over in the east with the odd afternoon cloud break possible. Cloud lowering from mid evening with patchy rain.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 700m: 30% rising 70%, falling 20% in the evening.

Low cloud and visibility: Some cloud above 600m can be expected early in the day and again in the evening. Otherwise most summits becoming clear although lower cloud may skirt the summits in the west at times. Visibility mainly good away from cloud but poor in any drizzly patches early and late

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
600	54/75 NW	50/69 NW	45/65 W	41/58 W	38/55 W	38/54 W	40/57 W
300	28/49 NW	25/45 W	25/45 W	23/41 W	22/39 W	21/38 W	23/40 W
Valley	22/48 NW	20/43 NW	20/42 W	18/38 W	17/35 W	16/35 W	18/37 W

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
600	5/-3	5/-3	5/-2	5/-2	5/-2	5/-2	6/-1
300	7/2	7/2	8/3	8/3	7/2	7/2	8/4
Valley	9/4	8/4	9/5	9/5	8/5	8/5	9/6
Freezing Level*	1400m	1400m	1300m	1400m	1400m	1700m	1500m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Meteorologist's View

Feeling cold in the hills in the very strong winds, especially gusty around any showers. Storm force gusts are possible in the morning, greater than 70mph.

Forecast for Saturday 23 Dec 2023

Weather: Light rain or drizzle expected at times on Saturday with strong westerly winds continuing, severe gales for much of the day. Perhaps some drier conditions during the afternoon but remaining mostly cloudy and quite dull.

Maximum wind: Westerly 40-45mph gusts 50-60mph.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 700m: 40%, persistent low cloud particularly in the west of the range.

Low cloud and visibility: Perhaps some cloud free tops during the morning but low cloud tending to form especially around western tops, becoming broken with bases above 500m. Visibility will be moderate or poor for much of the day.

Temperature: **Valleys:** Plus 10 Celsius.
At 700m: Plus 6 Celsius.
Freezing level: Above all summits.

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